

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Applicants note that the Examiner disapproved of the drawings previously submitted with an Amendment After Final filed December 8, 2003. Applicants apologize for inadvertently stating that a marked-up version of the drawings had been enclosed, when no such submission had been made.² Applicants have submitted herewith corrected drawings *without* a marked-up version thereof.

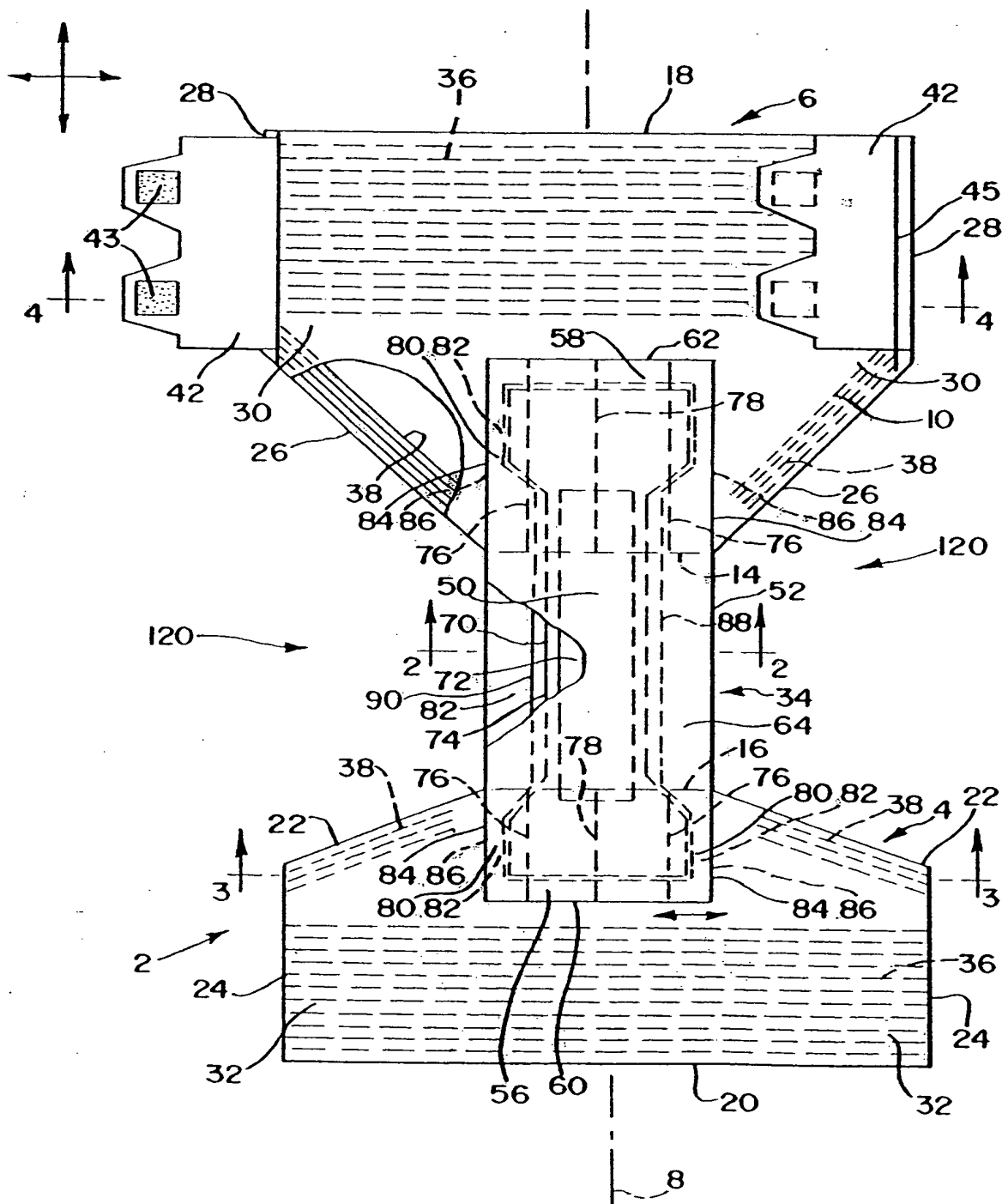
In the new drawings, Applicants have amended various figures to correct various informalities noted by the Examiner on page 2, paragraph 2 of the Office Action. The objections noted on page 3 of the Office Action were addressed in the prior amendment, and are presented here again. Applicants note that in Figures 5 and 17, line 32 properly references an ear portion (page 6, line 2). Applicants further note that the Figure 18 is taken along line 18-18 of Figure 17, wherein the absorbent composite does not overlie and is not attached to any body panel. Accordingly, Figure 18 does not and should not show a line of attachment. Moreover, the relative width of the side margins in Figures 18 and 19 therefore cannot be determined or compared.

² A submission of a marked-up version was made in an earlier Request for Amendment of Drawings, which was applicable to the present amendment since that submissions also was disapproved and was in essence being resubmitted.



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FIG. 2

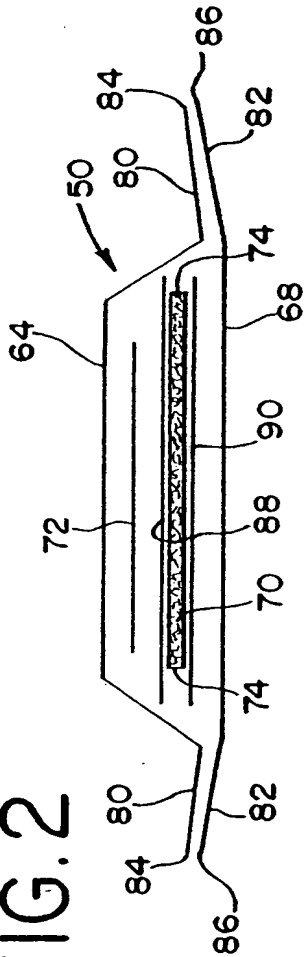


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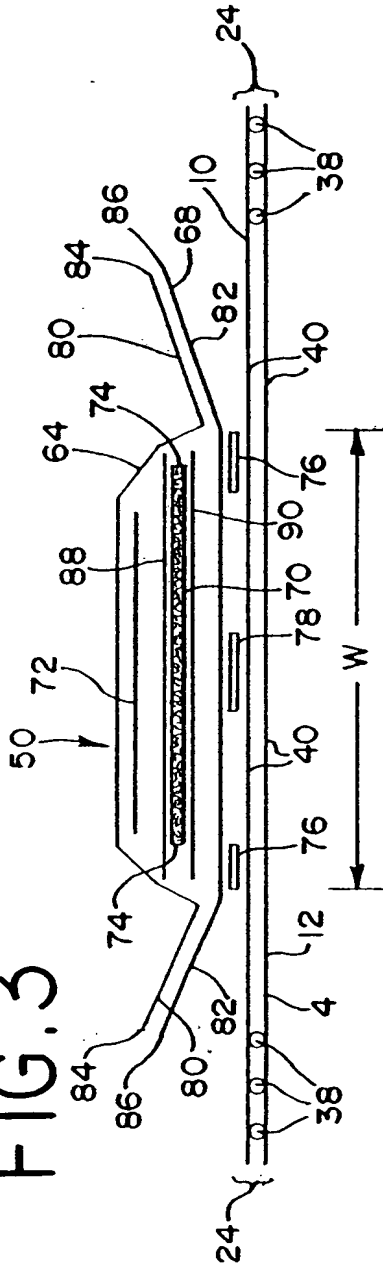
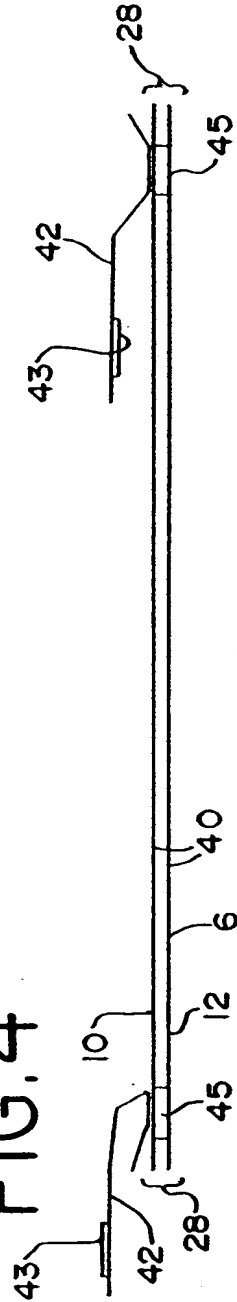
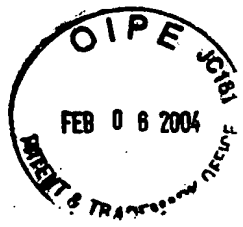


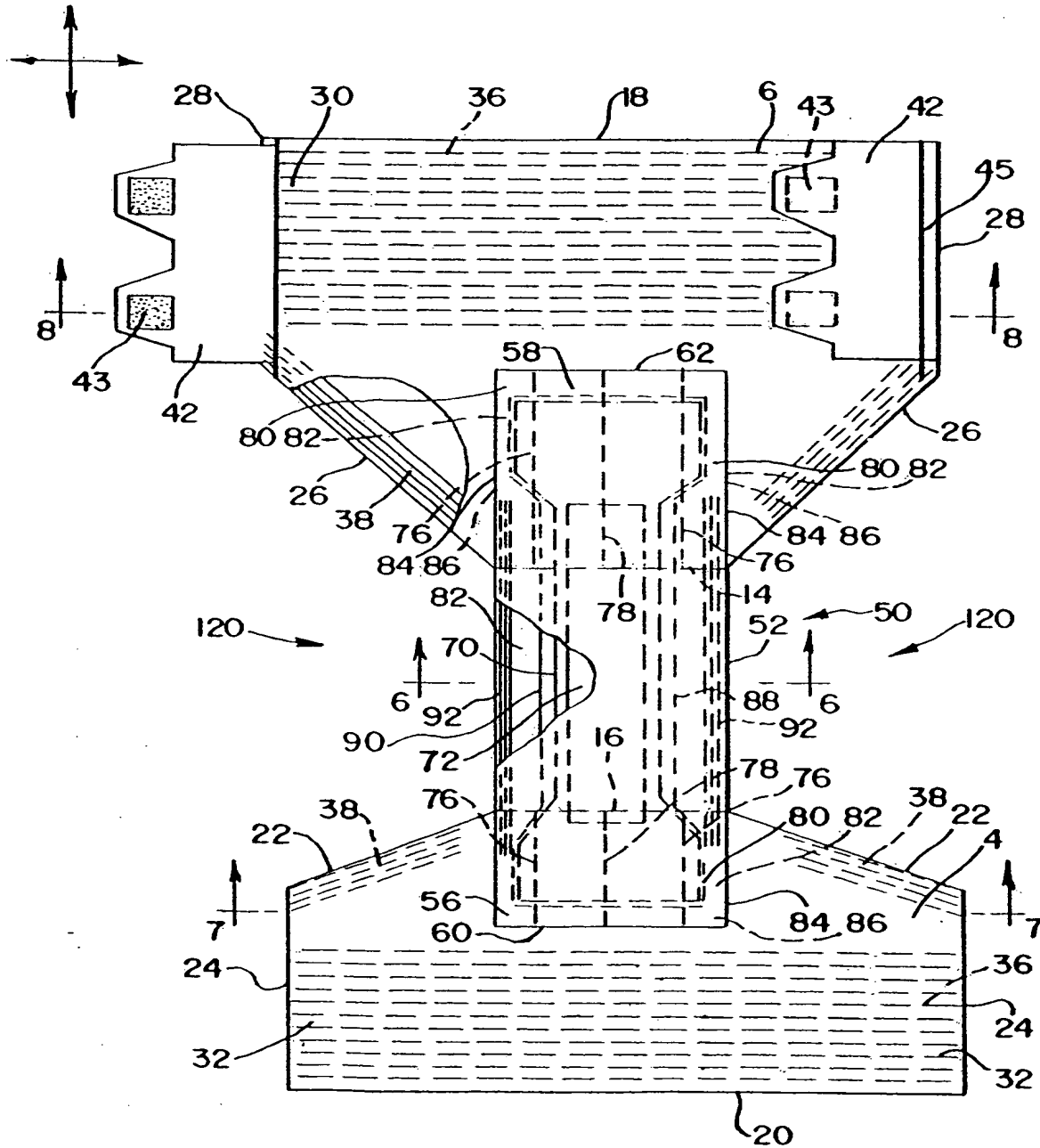
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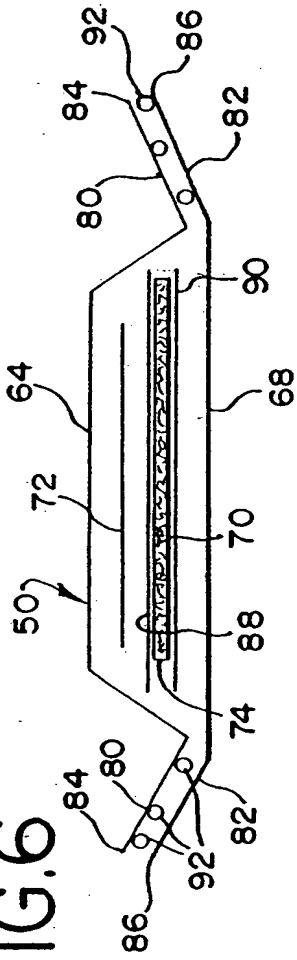


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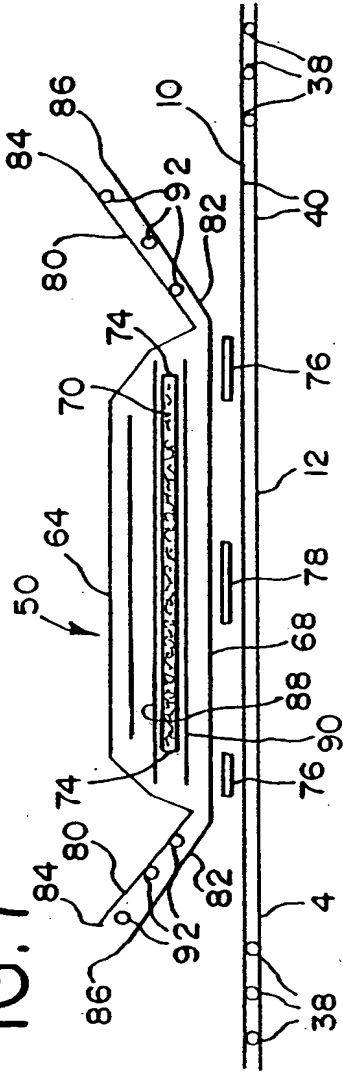
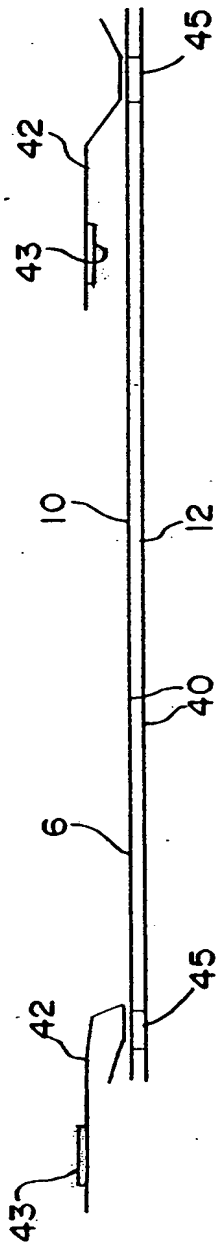
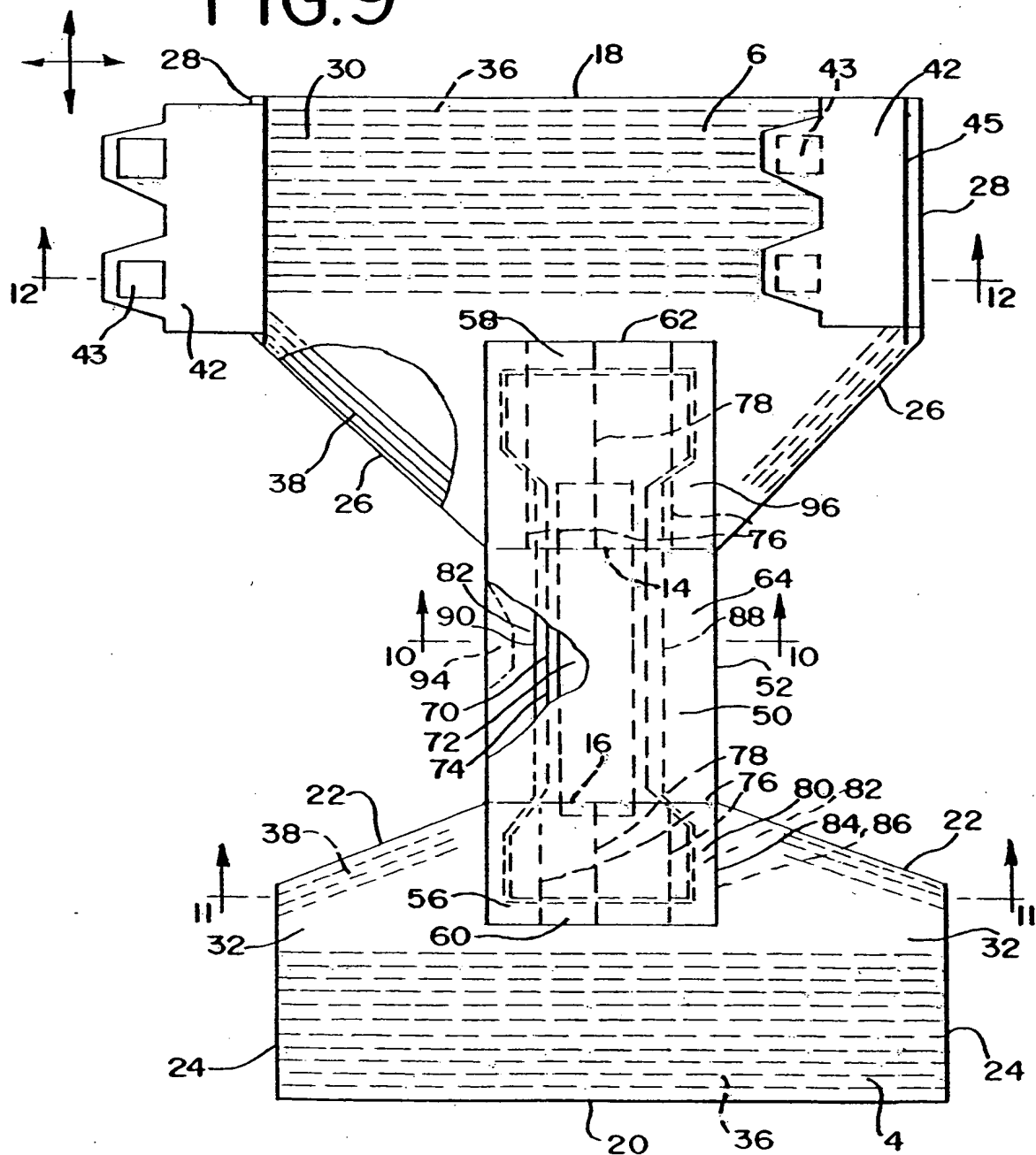
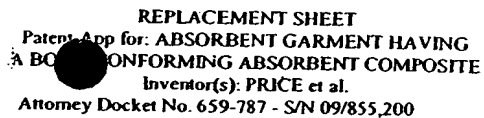


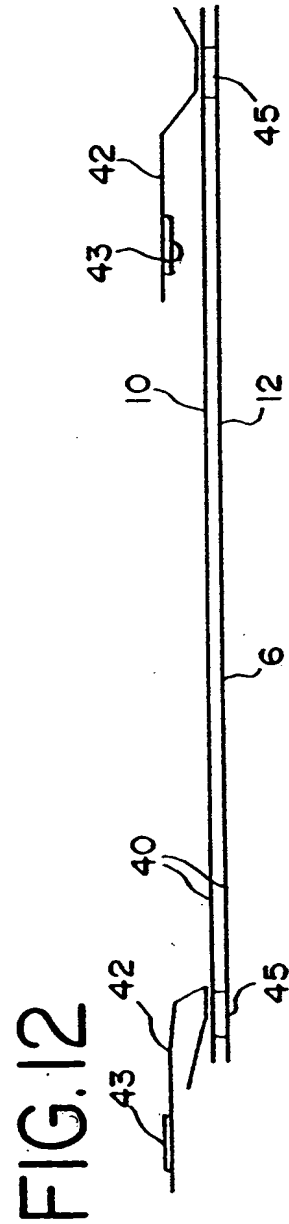
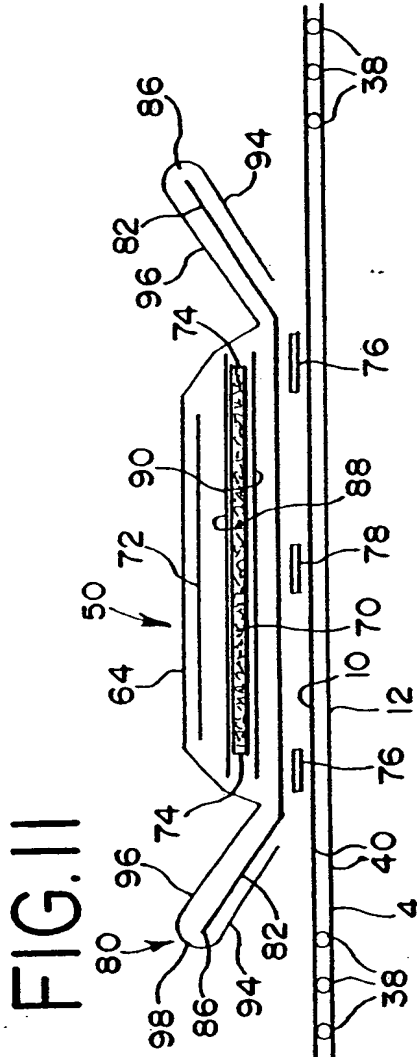
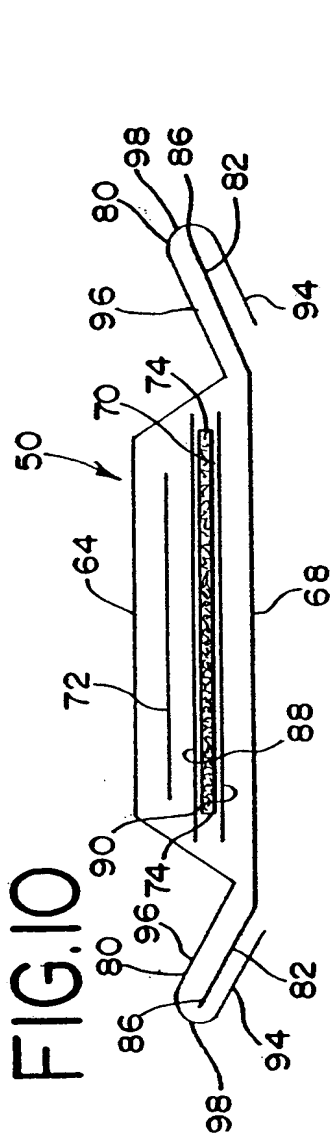
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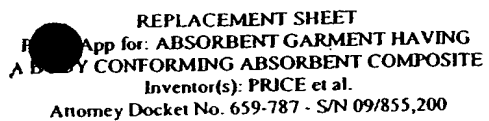
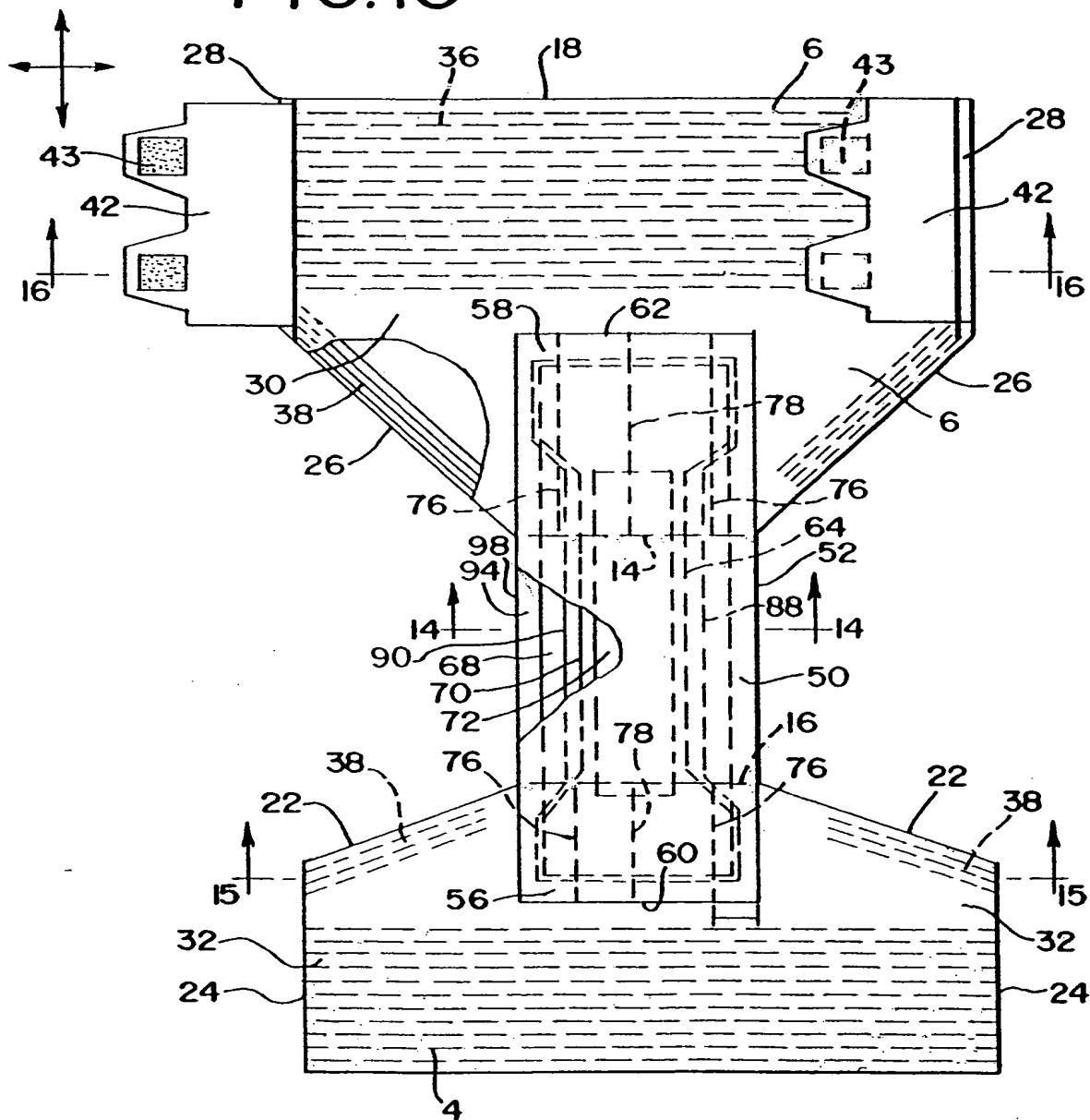


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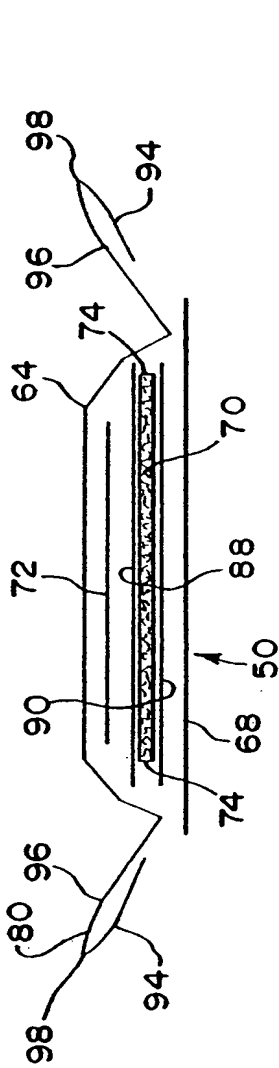


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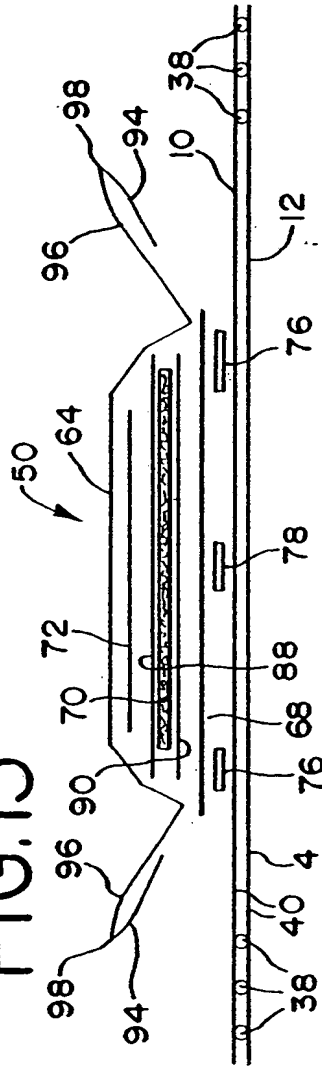
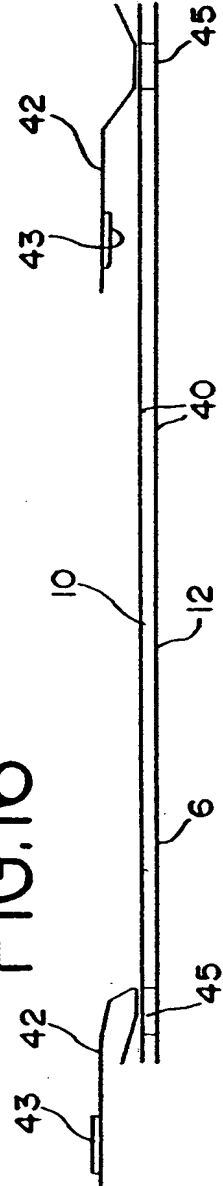


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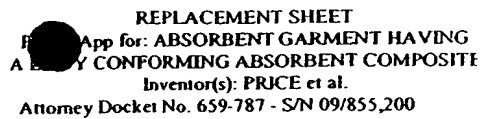
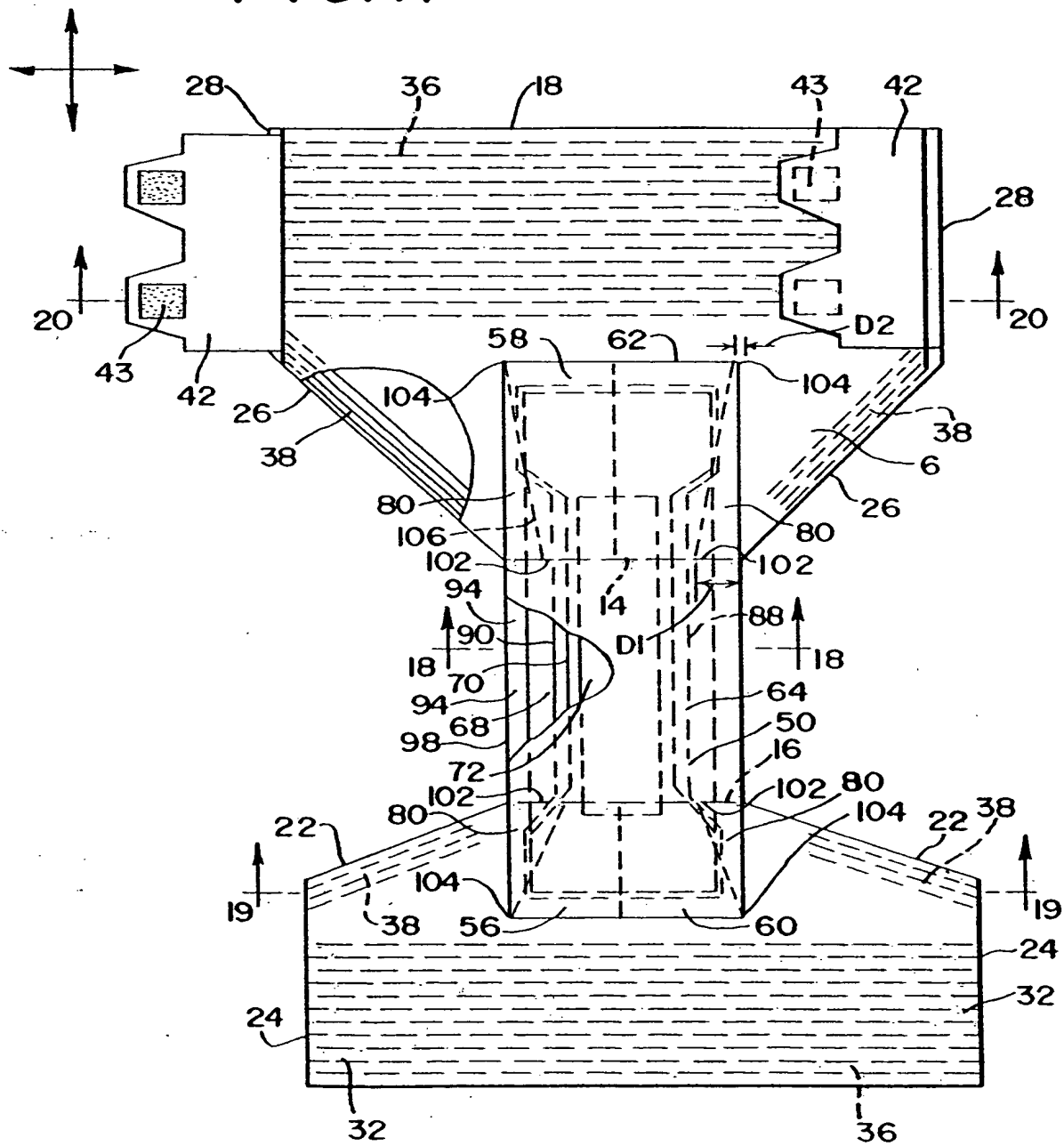
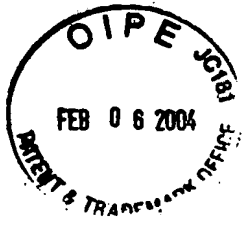


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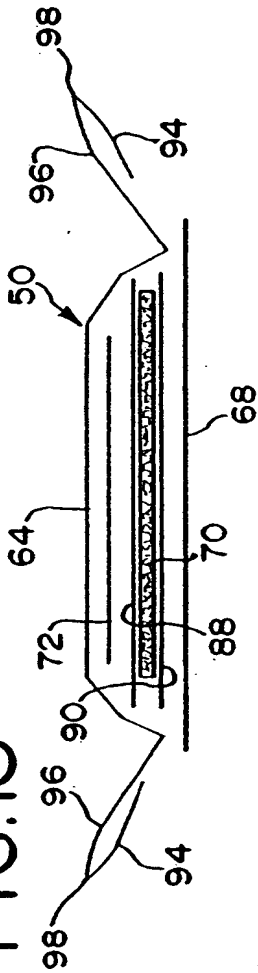


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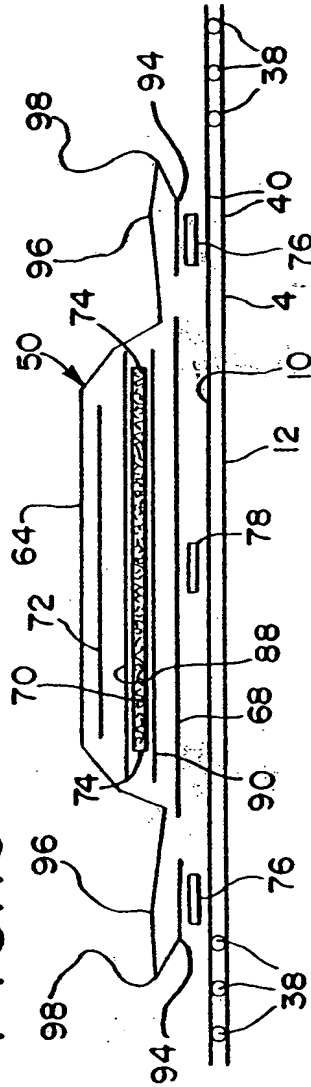
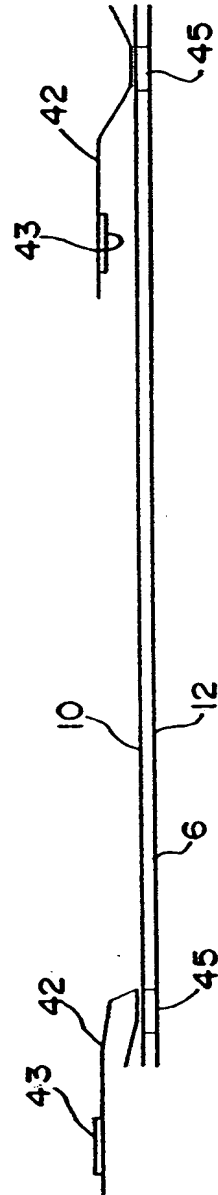


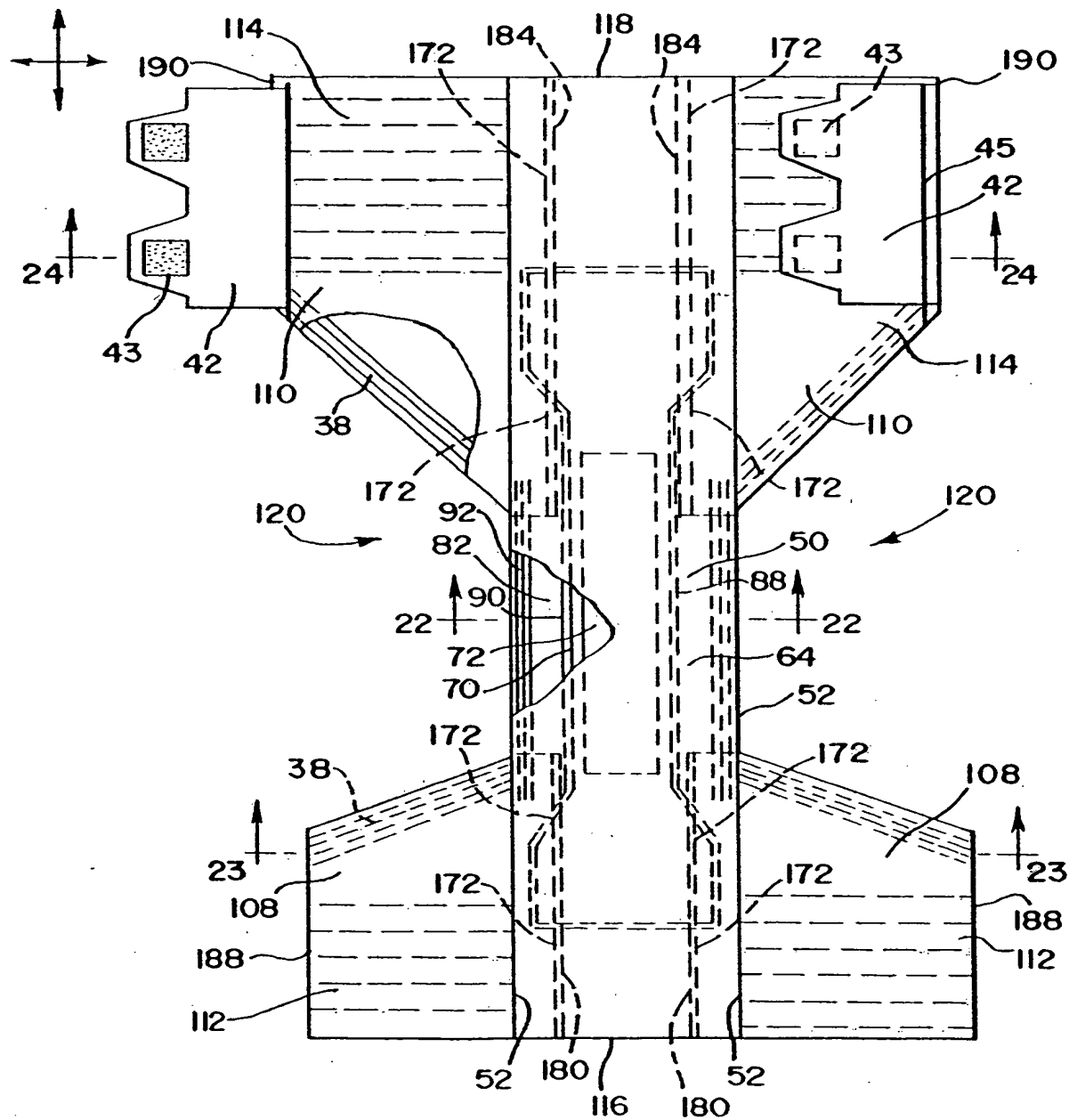
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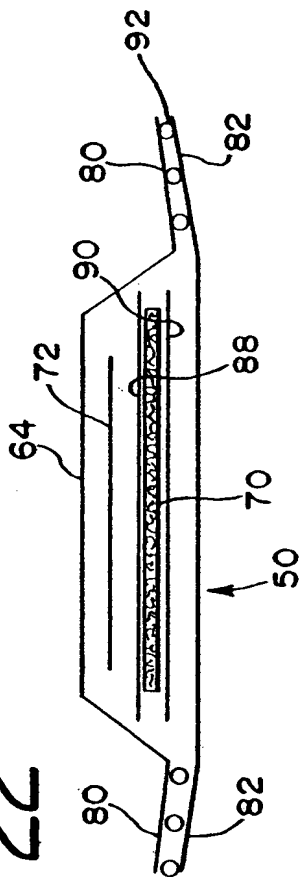


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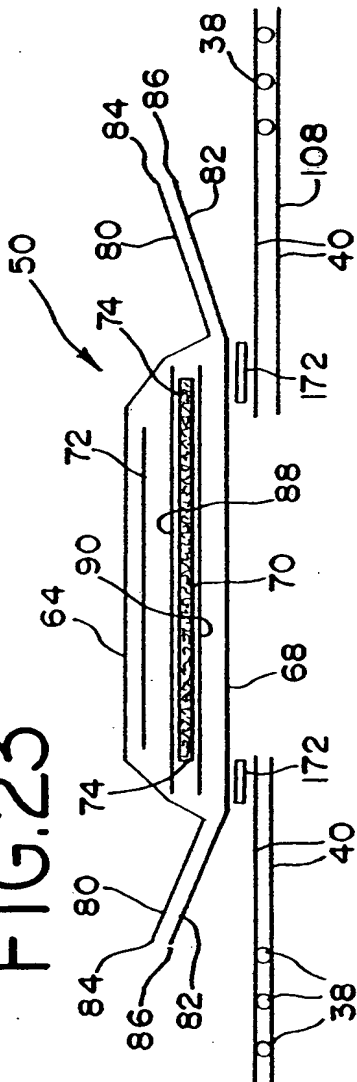
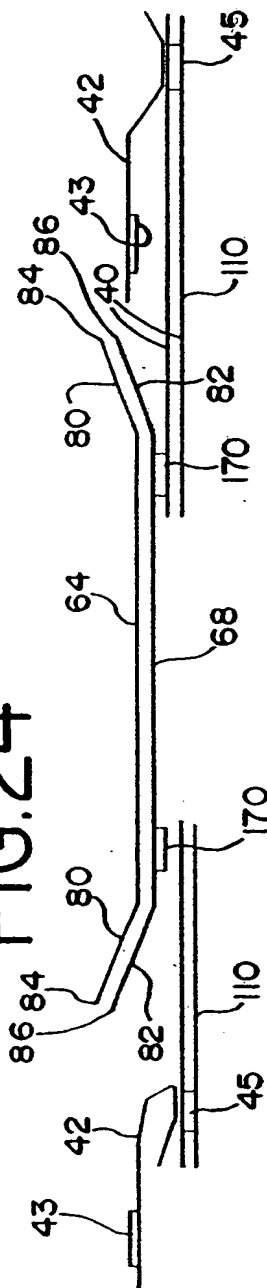


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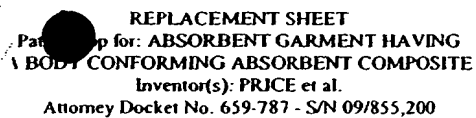
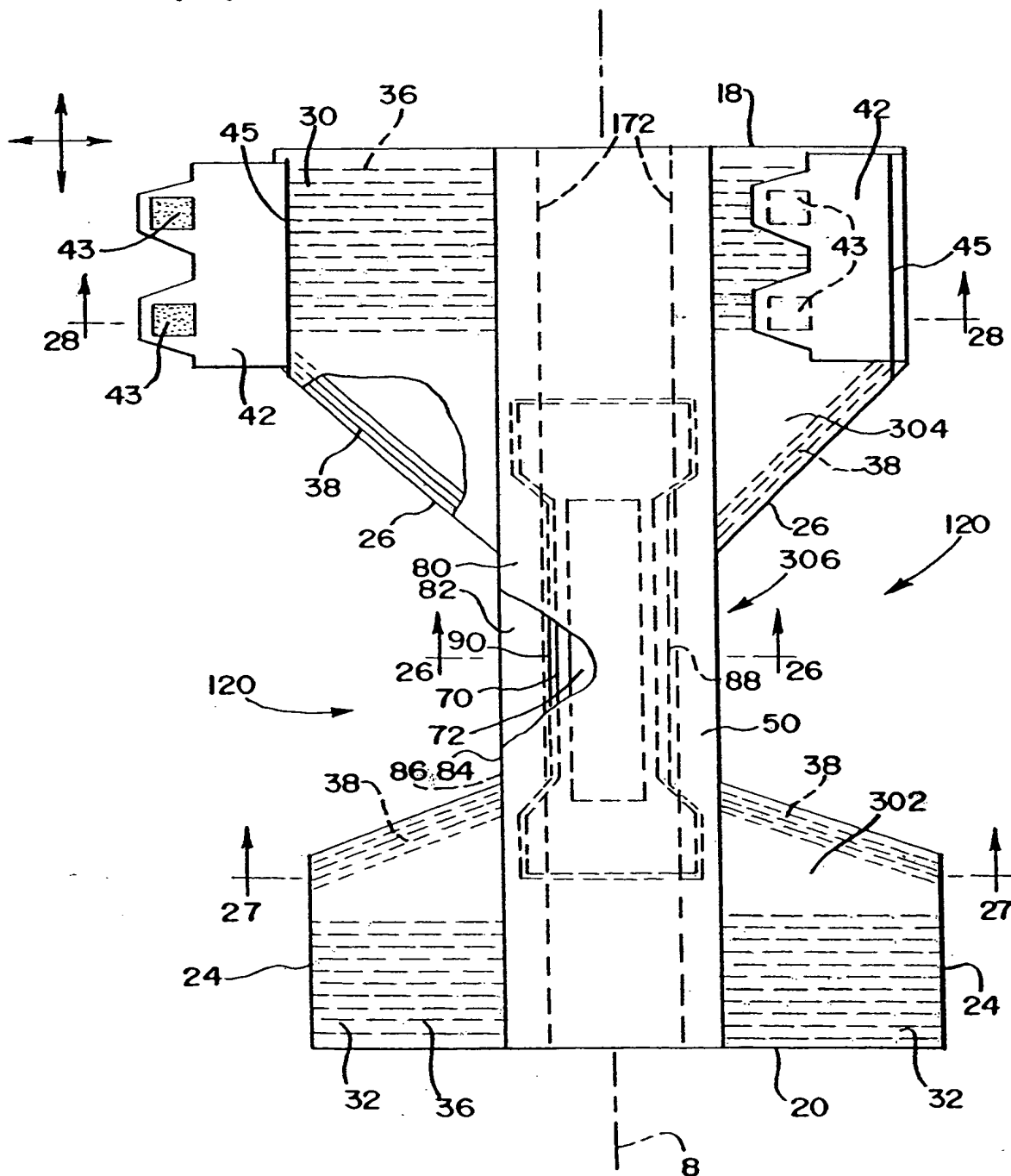


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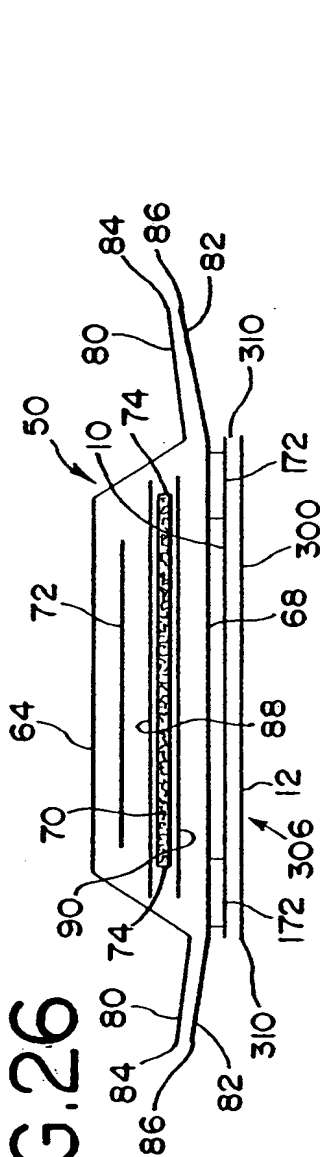


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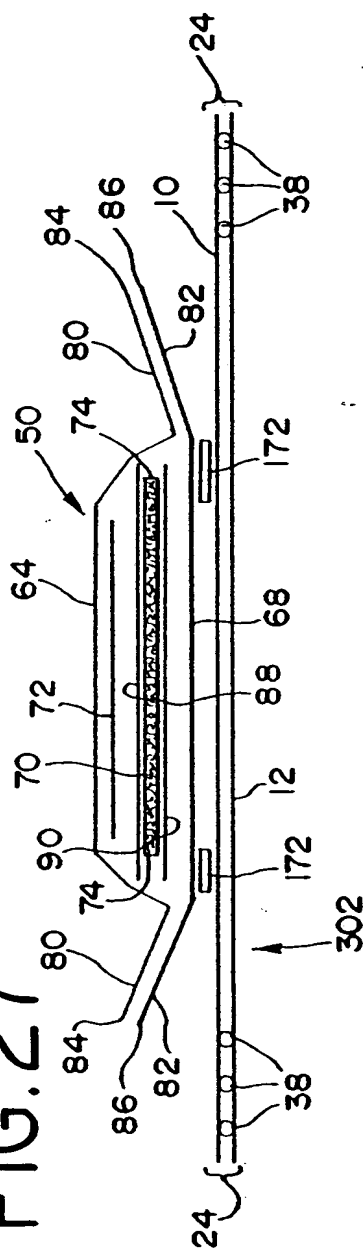


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